

\$1,843,500,000 IN YEAR'S LIFE RISKS

Private Insurance Companies Alone Paid Out Total of \$672,686,000.

Life insurance companies operating in the United States and Canada and the Federal War Risk Insurance Bureau paid out the immense total of \$1,843,500,000 during 1919. It was announced yesterday by the Insurance Press. Private companies paid in death claims, matured endowments and annuities alone \$672,686,000. The total value of the insurance claims paid by the Federal War Risk Insurance Bureau amounted to \$1,170,814,000. The largest amount of insurance on a single life paid in 1919 was carried by Henry C. Fick, whose policy was for \$1,000,000.

From all indications this will be a bigger insurance year than 1919. Reports to the Insurance Press from fifty-five companies, covering the first seven months of 1920, compared with the corresponding period of 1919, show aggregate receipts in 1920 of \$1,832,750,161, against \$1,432,450,481 of new business written in the first seven months of 1919. The percentage of gain for 1920 is 31.8. Fifty-two of the companies wrote more new business in the first seven months of 1920 than in the corresponding period in 1919.

Among the large life insurance payments last year were: Henry C. Fick, New York, \$1,000,000; John L. Rogers, Chicago, \$750,000; Herman J. O. W. Braun, New York, \$350,000; John L. Rogers, Hamilton, Can., \$350,000; George W. Harris, Cincinnati, \$311,620; Joseph S. Kendall, St. Louis, \$300,000; Albert H. Bradford, Cincinnati, \$275,000; William J. Friday, Pittsburgh, \$271,000; Isaac Eckert, Pittsburg, \$271,000; Francis J. Torrance, Pittsburg, \$271,000; Philip H. McMillan, Chicago, \$250,000; James M. Magan, St. Louis, \$250,000; Joseph R. Greenhill, Deal, N. J., \$241,921; Charles J. Wittenberg, New York, \$231,738; James H. Poor, East Hampton, \$220,000.

RELIGIOUS FILMS TO FILL CHURCH Pews

Organization Formed to Produce and Release Them.

A six reel thriller of Jonah in the act of casting himself into the sea, his subsequent rescue by the kindly whale and a close up of the whale's interior, showing Jonah's department immediately after the providential act, may be the first of a series of religious films which scholars as a reason for cutting off the Sunday morning fishing and attending devotions.

An organization of church and business men has been formed under the name of the International Church Film Corporation, upon the theory that the church is overlooking an excellent opportunity for instructive and interesting by neglecting the cinema. Arrangements have been made with five thousand churches for the display of films released through the corporation, including dramas which will withstand the criticism of the church and theologians, educational films and clean comedy.

WILSON PROCLAIMS FIRE PREVENTION DAY

Requests General Observance on October 9.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—President Wilson, in his proclamation today, urged State Governors to set apart Saturday, October 9, as fire prevention day and to request a general observance by the public.

The need for bringing "before the people the serious and unhappy effects of the present unnecessary fire waste and the need of their individual and collective effort in conserving the national and created sources of America" was said by the President in his proclamation to be especially urgent for the following reasons:

"The destruction by fire in the United States involves an annual loss of life of 15,000 men, women and children and over \$250,000,000 in buildings, foodstuffs and other valuable resources."

"The need of the civilized world for American products to replace the ravages of the great war is especially acute at this time."

"The present serious shortage of homes and business structures makes the daily destruction of buildings by fire an especially serious matter."

"A large percentage of the fire causing the annual American fire waste may be easily prevented by increased care and vigilance on the part of citizens."

NORWEGIAN "DRYS" ARRIVE

Nation, on 12 Per Cent Basis, Not Disturbed by Prohibition.

The progress of prohibition in the Scandinavian countries was the chief topic of discussion among the 1,233 passengers aboard the Norwegian-American liner Stavangerford, which arrived yesterday from Bergen, Haasmark as three delegates to the International Conference on Alcoholism at Washington were on board. The were Dr. Ragnar Vogt, professor of psychiatry in the University of Norway; Ole R. Solnordal, called the "dry central" for the Norwegian prohibitionists, a position akin to that occupied here by William H. Anderson, and Alexis Bjorkman, Swedish representative for the conference.

Norway, they said, already has prohibition, but the alcoholic content limit is 12 per cent, so nobody seems to mind it. Much as they would like to see it, they said, there seems little possibility of absolute prohibition in Sweden because of the excellent regulation of drinking.

MURDER HEARING TO-DAY

Moloney and Kane Accused in Slaying of Eckert.

The hearing for William Moloney, South Beach hotel proprietor, and Charles Kane, in connection with the murder of Frederick P. Eckert, whiskey plug leader, was postponed yesterday until today by Magistrate Simpson in St. Paul. Several adjournments previously have been taken in the case. District Attorney Maloy said he would withhold from United States District Attorney Ross of Brooklyn evidence gathered in the case until after the hearing of these two men.

SHIPPING NEWS

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BUYS 17 PROPERTIES FROM MUTUAL LIFE

Builder Takes Over Real Estate in Return for \$1,450,000 Building Loan.

Although yesterday's market showed the effects of the holiday, it opened with one of the largest deals reported in some time and with a particularly strong buying for occupancy movement in the dwelling house field.

Ephraim R. Levy purchased seventeen parcels in Manhattan and The Bronx from the Mutual Life Insurance Company. The properties were recently taken over by the sellers in foreclosure proceedings. In return the Mutual has made a loan of \$1,450,000 to Mr. Levy's holding organization, the Blocktown Realty Company, to be applied to the seventeen story business building which is nearing completion on the west side of Seventh Avenue, between 25th and Thirty-first streets. Several floors have already been rented, it is said, and the average rental is \$15,000 a floor.

REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION.

in 1771 in 1920

The Coster Homestead was erected on the estate at the corner of Eastern Boulevard and East Tremont Ave., formerly Ft. Schuyler Road.

The Westchester Avenue Subway will be completed to Pelham Bay Park with a station at Westchester Square, (Westchester and East Tremont Avenues.)

REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION.

The Estate of Henry A. Coster and the Estate of Margaret Walsh will sell, for what ever they may bring at Absolute Public Auction.

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463 Bronx Lots and the Coster Homestead, together with 93 lots, and 3 dwellings located on and adjacent to the corner of East Tremont Ave. and Eastern Boulevard, near Pelham Bay and Pelham Park, the Bathing Beaches and the Westchester Country Club. The East Tremont Ave. Trolley passes both properties, while the Westchester Square Station of the Westchester Ave. Subway is nearby.

REAL ESTATE-OUT OF CITY.

Long Island-Sale or Rent.

NORTH SHORE, L. I.

CENTREPORT HARBOR

On Sept. 23rd

Thursday, Sept. 23rd, at 12 o'clock, Noon, in the Exchange Salesroom, 14 Vesey St.

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FOR SALE

Large Office Building Near City Hall

Good Investment or Suitable for Occupancy by Large Business Concern.

FOR SALE

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CELEBRITY SALES A SUCCESS.

Joseph P. Day sold at Cedarhurst, L. I., last Saturday and again on Monday 324 lots for a total of \$175,000, an average of \$540 a lot.

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